



Happy 2014 everyone, I hope you all had a good Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanza, Solstice, Festivus (delete as applicable) and that the new year will be generally excellent! I apologise for the lack of a December edition of TLM – I had one planned but getting married scuppered it, I am hoping that it will still work next year but I may have to make a new one.

This month we have Holocaust Memorial Day on the 27<sup>th</sup> January, a day dedicated to remembering those attempted genocides and massacres that occurred during the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. I have also included a list of graphic novels about the Holocaust as they will make excellent additions to most if not all library collections.

Quick Reads is also being promoted as I realised that a number of the young people that I have worked over the past 10 years are now be adults, and some of them may benefit from Quick Reads and the Six Book Challenge.

The British Library has released one million copyright free pictures on Flickr as part of the Commons Project (which is a brilliant archive of pictures in the public domain. There are a number of prestigious organisations around the world that have photos that people can download for displays.

Cards against Librarianship is a remix of the Cards against Humanity game aimed at Librarians, it is still in the early stages of development but will be worth following for ideas on game creation and it looks as if it will be great fun to play!

Staying with gaming and entertainment we now turn to TableTop – I have written about it before, it is an internet video show (now in its second series) about tabletop games hosted by Wil Wheaton.

Finally, I am sharing Huey, Louie & Melvil Dewey in: The Quest for the Missing Duck. A PowerPoint an interactive presentation I created to teach my students about finding information in the library.



## JOURNEYS

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY 2014

The Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT) is the charity that promotes and supports Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD). HMD has taken place in the UK since 2001, with a UK event and over 2,000 local activities taking place on or around 27 January each year.

Journeys is the theme for Holocaust Memorial Day 2014. On HMD 2014 we can learn how journeys themselves became part of genocide, and how the journeys undertaken were often experiences of persecution and terror for so many people who suffered in the Holocaust, under Nazi Persecution and in the subsequent genocides. We can also learn about the life stories of journeys that brought survivors to the UK and how, in many instances, journeys of return have been part of the experience of rebuilding.

You can order or download a HMD Activity Pack here: <http://www.hmd.org.uk/campaign-pack>



In 2012 I created a list of graphic novels that deal with the Holocaust. The titles are:

*Maus* by Art Spiegelman  
*MetaMaus* by Art Spiegelman  
*Auschwitz* by Pascal Croci  
*A Family Secret* by Eric Heuvel  
*The Search* by Eric Heuvel  
*Magneto: Testament* by Greg Pak  
*Yossel* by Joe Kubert

To find out more about these books, please follow this link to the full post on Teen Librarian: <http://bit.ly/KDbh6j>



If you have been working with teens for a number of years it is entirely possible that some of them by now have reached adulthood with a love of books and reading ingrained in their being, it is likely that some of them may have left the teen group still unsure about reading as a pleasurable pastime. If you do know some of the latter you may still be able to reach them with the Quick Reads collection; and not just previous members, you can also invite the parents or guardians of current teen reading group members if they are reluctant readers and run a special combined group and.

1 in 6 adults of working age in the UK find reading difficult and may never pick up a book. People's reasons for not reading are varied but are often based in fear. Some people say they find books scary and intimidating, thinking they are 'not for them' or that books are difficult or boring.

Quick Reads sets out to challenge these beliefs and to show that books and reading can be for everyone. Each year we commission big name authors to write short books that are specifically designed to be easy to read. They are the same as mainstream books in every respect but are simply shorter and easier to tackle for adults who are less confident in their reading skills. The books are then sold through major retailers, online booksellers and are loaned from libraries.

The 2014 collection launches on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

### British Library Releases One Million Free Photographs

In December the British Library released over one million photographs into the Flickr Commons for people to use. The photographs can be viewed here:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/britishlibrary>

For full details on the project and how you can assist in describing the images follow this link: <http://bit.ly/1j3h18k>

The images come from the *Mechanical Curator*, a British Library project to scan more than 65,000 books from the 16th to 19th centuries. <http://mechanicalcurator.tumblr.com/>

### Flickr Commons

The Flickr Commons photography collections are made up of images that are copyright free. The key goal of The Commons is to share hidden treasures from the world's public photography archives.

Under "The Commons," cultural institutions that have reasonably concluded that a photograph is free of copyright restrictions are invited to share such photograph under their new usage guideline called "no known copyright restrictions."

Follow this link to see the participating institutions and find out more about the project: <http://www.flickr.com/commons/usage/>

### Cards against Librarianship

If our branch manager doesn't stop _____ at every staff meeting, I'm going to scream.	Inappropriately fondling an Orlando Bloom READ poster
Never shutting up about running half-marathons.	Bringing Jesus into every conversation.

Many of you may have heard about a really nasty (and fun) game called *Cards against Humanity* (freely available to download here: <http://cardsagainsthumanity.com>)

Emily Lloyd of <http://shelfcheck.blogspot.co.uk> is working on a Librarian version called Cards Against Librarianship, this looks like it will be fun for the more serious librarian gamers (as well as the light-hearted ones). For details of the game so far have a look here: <http://bit.ly/1ggcb2F>

### TableTop

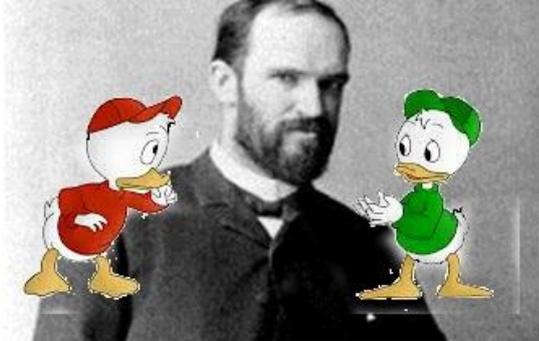
I have written about Tabletop before in March 2013, but thought that now is a good time to bring it up again.

*Actor, writer and geek icon Wil Wheaton hosts TableTop, a fast-paced show about tabletop gaming. In what can only be described as "Celebrity Poker" for board games, Wil invites his friends and loved ones to share a different board game with him each episode. Filled with witty banter and cheeky camaraderie; the show pairs notable geek celebrities with the best tabletop games around.*

The web series, now on episode 17 of season 2 introduces viewers to new and established tabletop games, gives detailed explanations of the rules and shows how to play the games in a humorous way. As well as educating viewers about the games it is incredibly entertaining. <http://geekandsundry.com/shows/tabletop/>

## Huey, Louie & Melvil Dewey in: The Quest for the Missing Duck

A power point adventure with interactive aspects that can enable groups of students to help Huey and Louie use the library find the information they need to locate and retrieve Dewey.



In an attempt to teach my students about the Dewey Decimal classification system I have created a PowerPoint adventure that will hopefully educate them while they are being entertained. Please feel free to use and adapt it for your own needs and if you can think of any ways in which it can be improved please let me know.

You can view it here: <http://bit.ly/1igjE32>

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